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Application No. Filed: HEREWITH For: AN ASSEMBLY FOR FOCUSING AND COUPLING THE RADIATION ) PRODUCED BY A SEMICONDUCTOR) LASER INTO OPTICAL FIBERS

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Sir:

Prior to examining the above-identified application, please amend the claims as follows:

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(amended) In a laser diode module wherein laser radiation from a linear laser diode array is coupled into a plurality of optical fibers corresponding in number to the number of laser diodes in the laser diode array, each of the optical fibers having a light intrance side, the invention characterized 🗚n that:

[the light entrance sides of] the optical fibers are mounted on a holder and arranged [paral lel to each other in] so that the light entrance sides thereof form a linear array; a cylindrical lens having at least the length of the linear laser diode array, [is glued onto said linear array of] said

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